

Purpose Statement: The following Career Guides are meant to provide employees with information about a variety of training and development concepts that maybe useful for positions within GIPSA. The agency surveyed employees, supervisors, and managers within critical occupational series about their current, and former jobs. They were asked to identify skills needed to be effective as team leaders, supervisors or managers within their job series. As a result, they identified competencies and training that they observed as useful to assist with career development within their job series. As an outcome, GIPSA is providing Career Guides to assist employees with determining their training needs with regard to the identified critical job series.

Disclaimer: Requesting training as listed in the career guides does not guarantee approval. Training requested by employees will be assessed on a case-by-case basis with respect to existing regulations and policies. Participating in identified training and/or development activity is *not* a guarantee of promotion.

Note: The Career Guides are not a comprehensive or a final list of all training and development sources for each job series.

Senior Agricultural Economist, GS-0110-13

Position Description:

This position serves as a Senior Agricultural Economist and carries out enforcement of jurisdictional, financial, competition, and trade practice provisions of the Act.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Independently or as team leader, plans, designs, organizes, and initiates, and conducts complex investigations of anti-competitive, unfair, unjustly discriminatory or deceptive practices in the assigned national livestock, poultry, and meat industries and related markets.
- Develops and implements analytical techniques for sophisticated proactive monitoring of the assigned national livestock, poultry, and meat industries and markets to indicate when market manipulation or other anti-competitive activities may be occurring.
- Responsible for the application of economic theory as it relates to the national markets for livestock, poultry, and meat industries.
- Responsible for the research methods with emphasis upon, but not limited to, industrial organizations, microeconomics, marketing economics, and statistical inference.
- Performs economic research on the competitive impacts of the structure the marketing and procurement practices in the assigned national livestock, poultry, and meat industries and related markets.
- Develops research objectives applicable with enforcement of the Act's provision and regulations.
- Provides technical advice and guidance for the investigation and research activities, conducting/assisting in the analysis, and develops the conclusion upon completion of the project.
- Maintains a current knowledge of structure, trade practices, performance, and marketing conditions in the assigned national livestock, poultry, and meat industries.

Career Paths:

A combination of the positions you hold and the training and education you receive will help you meet the needed competencies

<i>Competencies</i> (this is a list of technical and leadership competencies and requirements necessary to obtain the position)	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Education/ Training</i>
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<p>Integrity/Honesty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model high standard of ethics <p>Technical Credibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand and appropriately apply principles, procedures, requirements, regulations, and policies related to specialized expertise <p>Written & Oral Communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skill at communicating effectively both verbally and in writing <p>Accountability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holds self and other accountable for measurable high-quality, timely, and cost-effective results. 	Economist	Masters degree in economics or Agriculture economics
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